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VIA OVERNIGHT COURIER

Mr. Vernon A. Williams Secretary Office of the Secretary Surface Transportation Board 1925 K Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20423

Attention: Janice Fort, Room 704

Dear Mr. Williams:

Enclosed for recordation pursuant to the provisions of 49 U.S.C. Section 11301(a) are two original executed copies and two photostatic copies of a Memorandum of Railcar Equipment Lease, dated as of July 1, 1998 (the "Memorandum of Lease"), between JAIX Leasing Company ("Lessor") and Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company ("Lessee"), which Memorandum of Lease is a primary document as defined in the Commission's Rules for the Recordation of Documents. The Memorandum of Lease relates to that certain Railcar Equipment Lease, dated as of July 1, 1998 (the "Lease") and Rider 1 to the Lease, dated as of July 1, 1998, between Lessor and Lessee.

The names and addresses of the parties to the enclosed Memorandum of Lease

are:

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Lessor:

JAIX Leasing Company 980 North Michigan Avenue Suite 1000 Chicago, Illinois 60611 Mr. Vernon A. Williams July 14, 1998 Page 2

Lessee:

Burlington Northern and Santa Fe

Railway Company 2650 Lou Menk Drive Fort Worth, Texas 76131

A description of the railroad equipment covered by the enclosed document is set forth in the Memorandum of Lease.

Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$26.00 payable to the order of the Surface Transportation Board covering the required recordation fee.

Kindly return one stamped original copy, the two stamped photostatic copies of the enclosed document and the stamped photostatic copy of this letter to Susan G. Lichtenfeld at Ross & Hardies, 150 North Michigan Avenue, Suite 3100, Chicago, Illinois 60601.

Following is a short summary of the enclosed document:

Primary Document to be Recorded

Memorandum of Lease Agreement, dated as of July 1, 1998 between JAIX Leasing Company, as Lessor, and Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company, as Lessee, covering 120 aluminum AutoFlood coal cars being leased under Rider 1.

Very truly yours,

JAM/vgc w/encl.

cc:

Robert W. Kleinman Joseph A. McQuade

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MEMORANDUM OF RAILCAR EQUIPMENT LEASE

THIS MEMORANDUM OF RAILCAR EQUIPMENT LEASE dated as of this 1st day of July, 1998, is made by The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company, a Delaware corporation, with an address at 2650 Lou Menk Drive, Forth Worth, Texas 76131 (the "Lessee"), and JAIX Leasing Company, a Delaware corporation, with an address at 980 North Michigan Avenue, Suite 1000, Chicago, Illinois 60611 (the "Lessor" and, together with the Lessee, the "Parties").

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS THAT:

WHEREAS, the Lessor and the Lessee entered into that certain Railcar Equipment Lease and Rider 1 thereto (collectively, the "Lease") dated as of the date hereof covering the equipment listed on Schedule 1 hereto (the "Equipment");

WHEREAS, the Parties wish to show for the public record the existence of the aforesaid Lease, and the respective interests therein of the Parties and accordingly the Parties have caused this Memorandum to be executed by their respective duly authorized officers, as of the date first above written.

NOW, THEREFORE, for valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged by each of the Parties hereto, by this instrument the Lessor hereby leases and confirms the lease of the Equipment to the Lessee in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Lease, and the Lessee confirms and accepts such terms and conditions, which are incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, each of the undersigned has caused this Memorandum to be executed by a duly authorized officer as of the day and year first above written.

THE BURLINGTON NORTHERN AND SANTA FE RAILWAY COMPANY

Title: MGR

COSTOMER LOGISTICS

JAIX LEASING COMPANY

By: __ Name:

Name: For

Title: Prosio

STATE OF TEXAS)
) SS: COUNTY OF TARRANT)
On this day of July, 1998 before me personally appears Manage
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal.
SUSAN D. THOMPSON Notary Public STATE OF TEXAS My Commission expires: 6/6/2002
STATE OF ILLINOIS)) SS: COUNTY OF COOK)
On this day of
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal.
OFFICIAL SEAL CYNTHIA D. MARTIN NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF ILLINOIS MY COMMISSION EXPIRES 7-16-2000

My Commission expires:

SCHEDULE 1 TO THE MEMORANDUM OF RAILCAR EQUIPMENT LEASE DATED JULY 1, 1998

EQUIPMENT

120 aluminum AutoFlood coal cars marked JAIX 98591 through JAIX 98710 (both inclusive).